

MONROE RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
March 25, 2015
City Hall, Second Floor Conference Room

The meeting was opened at 5:32 pm by Chair Garry Knapp.

Present: Chair Garry Knapp, Vice-Chair Lucie Fortin, Secretary Cheryl Miller, Commissioners Bob Cebina, Karen Feldman, and Mary Minney.

Excused: Councilperson John Iacoangeli,

Also present: Loretta LaPointe, Recreation Manager and Louis Lombardo, Monroe Multi-Sports Complex manager.

Approval of Minutes from February 25, 2015

Chair Garry Knapp called for approval of the February 25, 2015 meeting minutes.

Motion made by Lucy Fortin to accept the minutes, supported by Karen Feldman.

Motion carried unanimously.

Recreation Manager's Report

Loretta LaPointe discussed the recent letter to the editor and article on adult softball. Loretta also invited any commission members to the Recreation Dept. budget presentation on Thursday, March 26 at 6:30 pm.

Old business

Loretta handed out a revised copy of the Monroe Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission ordinance that was approved by council.

New Business

Presentation on 'Aging in Places' by Lucie Fortin. Lucie presented this presentation in an expanded version at the Michigan Recreation & Parks Association annual conference in Lansing in February. The presentation highlighted how the population will age over the next several decades and how that will impact parks and recreation opportunities.

Commissioner Comments

Bob Cebina mentioned that he was concerned about alcohol being allowed at special events in parks.

Cheryl Miller mentioned that she was appreciative that Loretta responded positively in the recent articles in the Monroe News.

Citizen Comments

Louis Lombardo from the Monroe Multi Sports Complex said that they are starting new programs with grants that will make skating more affordable for kids ages 8 and under by providing equipment.

Motion to adjourn made by Bob Cebina, supported by Mary Minney.

Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:36 p.m.